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BY ECF

The Honorable Reginald C. Lindsay United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts John Joseph Moakley U.S. Courthouse One Courthouse Way Boston, MA 02210

Re: Adelson v. Hananel (04-CV-10357)

Your Honor:

We represent Plaintiff Sheldon G. Adelson in the above-captioned case. On January 16, the First Circuit issued a mandate returning the case to this court. Hananel's answer is now due on January 31, ten business days after the denial of his motions to dismiss. *See* Rule 12(a)(4)(A).

We request that the court convene a Local Rule 16.1(a) scheduling conference at its earliest convenience. Local Rule 16.1(a) provides that such a conference should be convened "as soon as practicable, but in any event within ninety (90) days after the appearance of a defendant."

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Andrew H. Schapiro

cc: James A.G. Hamilton, Esq. (by ECF)